DaimlerChrysler AG

## Abstract

The invention relates to a method for detecting an object in a motor vehicle environment using a detection means scanning the environment at predetermined angular increments  $\phi i+1-\phi i$   $(i=1,2,\ldots,N)$ .

According to the invention, when sensing a reflection signal of the object at an angle  $\phi$ i, the angular increments are refined in the angular range between the adjacent angles  $\phi$ i-1 and  $\phi$ i+1 as a function of the signal propagation times ti-1, ti and ti+1 of the reflection signals sensed at the angles  $\phi$ i-1,  $\phi$ i and  $\phi$ i+1.